PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Substitute for form 1449/PTO	Complete if Known		
	Application Number		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE	Filing Date		
	First Named Inventor	Michael D. Kass	
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT	Art Unit		
(Use as many sheets as necessary)	Examiner Name		
eet 1 of 1	Attorney Docket Number	DOE Case S-99,227	

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Document Number Number-Kind Code ^{2 (Finour)}	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
GUR		^{US-} 5,986,612	11-16-1999	Nagy			
PAR		^{US-} 6,137,086	10-24-2000	Williams, Jr.			
500	5	US- 6,436,198	08-20-2002	Swain, et al.			
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US					
		US-					
		US-					
_		US-					
	1	US-	1				
		US-·					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-					
		US-	1				
		US-					
		US-					

	Cite	Foreign Patent Document	Publication	Name of Patentee or	Pages, Columns, Lines,
Initials*	No.¹	Country Code ³ "Number ⁴ "Kind Code ⁸ (if known)	Date MM-DD-YYYY	Applicant of Cited Document	Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear
				 	
					<u> </u>
		1 -			

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 'Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.usrto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English tanguage Translation is attached.

Date

Considered

Examiner

Signature

Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.